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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (currently amended) An endovascular prosthesis comprising:
- a. an endovascular member having a tubular structure comprising one of a hook structure and a loop structure;
- b. a patch for placement against said endovascular member, said patch having a structure comprising the other of said hook structure and said loop structure; wherein said hook structure and said loop structure are matingly engageable so as to maintain said patch in substantially fluid tight engagement with said endovascular member; and wherein said endovascular member is selected from the group consisting of grafts, stents and stent-grafts.
- 2. (cancelled)
- 3. (original) The endovascular prosthesis of claim 1, wherein said hook and loop structures are comprised of textile materials.
- 4. (original) The endovascular prosthesis of claim 1, wherein said hook and loop structures are selected from the group consisting of polypropylene, polyethylene teraphthalate, polyurethane, a copolyester elastomer, and nylon.
- 5. (currently amended) A method of repairing a damaged area of an endovascular prosthesis having a hook or loop structure and which is positioned within a body lumen, comprising the step of:

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attaching a patch to an <u>a tubular</u> endovascular <u>prosthesis</u> member, wherein said patch has a hook or loop structure cooperative with a hook or loop structure of said endovascular member for maintaining said patch in substantially fluid tight communication with said endovascular member; and

wherein said tubular endovascular prosthesis is selected from the group consisting of grafts, stents and stent-grafts.

- 6. (original) The method of claim 5, further comprising the step of delivering said patch to said endovascular member through a body lumen containing said endovascular member.
- 7. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein said patch comprises one of a hook structure and a loop structure and said endovascular member comprises the other of said hook structure and said loop structure.
- 8. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein said attaching step occurs in situ.
- 9. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein said attaching step is effected by expanding a balloon affixed to a catheter to cause said hook or loop structure of said patch to engage the other of said hook or loop structure of said endovascular member.
- 10. (original) The method of claim 6, wherein said delivery step is effected by use of a catheter.
- 11. (original) The method of claim 6, wherein said delivery step is effected by use of a balloon catheter.

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